



Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting

Thursday 8th May 2025 at 7.00pm Tur Langton Village Hall

Present: Cllr T Bladon (Chair), Cllr D Molyneux, Cllr P Officer, Cllr C Staveley

In attendance: Katy Ward, Clerk

1.	<p>To approve the minutes of the previous meeting 14th May 2024</p> <p>The minutes were approved and signed as a true record of the meeting.</p>
2.	<p>The Chair will report on the Parish Council's work over the year</p> <p>Welcome to Tur Langton Parish Meeting 2025</p> <p>2025 was a year of change for Tur Langton Parish Council as we said farewell to our clerk Alison Gibson on her retirement in September 2024 and welcomed Katy Ward her successor. Alison was an outstanding clerk and we thank her for her tireless work over the ten years she was in the role. I am sure Katy would agree that she has benefitted from a comprehensive handover from Alison helping her to understand the complex role as a parish clerk and we look forward to working with Katy in the coming year.</p> <p>One of the roles of a parish council to monitor and or comment on each planning application received and would encourage applicants to attend meetings where their plans are being discussed. We use the policies in our Neighbourhood Plan and Harborough District Local Plan to guide our responses. As we welcome a number of new families we would like to remind everyone that our village sits within a conservation area and all works to trees needs to be preceded by an application to Harborough District Council. This is free, can be completed online and the process usually takes about six weeks. This helps preserve the character of the village and hopefully ensures that important trees are protected. In addition our tree warden with the support of councillors is creating a comprehensive map of trees within our parish. If anyone would like to raise awareness of any interesting species of trees within their gardens please contact our clerk.</p>

	<p>Maintaining the grassed areas in our village has been the Parish Councils responsibility for many years and is funded from a grant from LCC and our precept. We have a grass cutting contact in place which is reviewed regularly. If you have comments or concerns about the grass cutting please contact our clerk.</p> <p>We continue to develop Tur Langton History pages on the Parish Council Website. If you have any photographs or articles that may be of interest then please contact our clerk or one of the councillors.</p> <p>Communication with the village is important to us and we achieve this through our Parish Council website, which is maintained by our Clerk and Cllr Officer. We also produce a newsletter which we hope is informative and useful, however we are always looking to the future and hope to explore digital forms of communication. Any suggestions or ideas are very welcome.</p> <p>A council also needs to keep up to date, a list of training that has been undertaken and the consultations that the Parish Council have responded to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The new Clerk attended LRALC's Clerks 1, 2 and 3 between August and October 2024 • 10 Planning Applications were responded to • No consultations were responded to <p>In conclusion we thank you for taking the time to attend this meeting and we look forward to representing our community in the coming year.</p>
3.	<p>Questions from members of the public</p> <p>None present.</p>

Meeting closed at: 7.30pm